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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 15 July 2008.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-17 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 14-17 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SE-US)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

Claim 14 is objected to because of the following informalities: In claim 14, line4 "*different some said*" should be "*different from some of said*". Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. **Claims 1-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Okuno et al. (US 2002/0047923).**

As to **claim 1**, Okuno discloses a method of subpixel rendering input image data onto a display panel, said input image data comprises image data formatted for a first subpixel layout and wherein said display panel comprises a second subpixel layout further comprising a repeating grouping of a plurality of primary colored subpixels and said second subpixel layout is different from said first subpixel layout, the steps of said method comprising:

subpixel rendering input image data that is input at a first clock rate (see Fig. 32(VCLK));

outputting subpixel rendered data to said display panel at a second clock rate (Fig. 32(PCLK)).

As to **claim 2**, Okuno discloses a method of Claim 1 wherein said subpixel repeating group further comprises at least one column in which more than one color primary comprises said column (see [0131]).

As to **claim 3**, Okuno discloses a method of Claim 1 wherein said first clock rate and said second clock rate are the same and dummy data is inserted into said outputted subpixel rendered data (see Fig. 17, d0 and d5 (repeat) were inserted into Enlarged image data).

As to **claim 4**, Okuno discloses a method of Claim 1 wherein said first clock rate and said second clock rate are different (see [0134]).

As to **claim 5**, Okuno discloses a method of Claim 1 wherein said input image data comprises more subpixel data sets (see Fig. 16 (original image data)) for each image frame than said number of subpixel data set (see Fig. 16 (reduced image data)) for each image frame for rendering on said display panel.

As to **claim 6**, Okuno discloses a method of Claim 1 wherein said method further comprises the step of outputting a signal indicating valid output data to the display controller (see [0323]-[0325]).

As to **claim 7**, Okuno discloses a method of subpixel rendering input image data onto a display panel, said input image data comprises image data formatted for a first subpixel layout and wherein said display panel comprises a second subpixel layout further comprising a repeating grouping of a plurality of primary colored subpixels and

said second subpixel layout is different from said first subpixel layout, the steps of said method comprising:

subpixel rendering input image data that is input at a first clock rate (see Fig. 32(VCLK));

outputting subpixel rendered data to said display panel at a second clock rate (Fig. 32(PCLK)) wherein the output image data is buffered (see [0018]).

As to **claim 8**, Okuno discloses a method of Claim 7 wherein said subpixel repeating group further comprises at least one column in which more than one color primary comprises said column (see [0131]).

As to **claim 9**, Okuno discloses a method of Claim 6 wherein said output image data sent to the display controller does not comprise dummy image data (see fig. 16, no additional data was inserted).

As to **claim 10**, Okuno discloses a method of Claim 6 wherein said first clock rate and said second clock rate are the same (It's well known in the art to use synchronized clock (Official Notice)).

As to **claim 11**, Okuno discloses a method of Claim 6 wherein said first clock rate and said second clock rate are different (see [0134]).

As to **claim 12**, Okuno disclose a method of subpixel rendering input image data onto a display panel, said input image data comprises image data formatted for a first subpixel layout and wherein said display panel comprises a second subpixel layout further comprising a repeating grouping of a plurality of primary colored subpixels and

said second subpixel layout is different from said first subpixel layout, the steps of said method comprising:

subpixel rendering input image data that is input asynchronously (see [0134]).

outputting subpixel rendered data to said display panel in a format wherein dummy data is inserted into the output data (see Fig. 17, d0 and d5 (repeat) were inserted into Enlarged image data) such that a timing scheme (see Fig. 18) is affected to map said input image data formatted (Fig. 18(H, and Hp)) for said first colored subpixel layout onto data formatted for said second color subpixel layout (See [0178]-[0181]).

As to **claim 13**, Okuno discloses a method of Claim 12 wherein said subpixel repeating group further comprises at least one column in which more than one color primary comprises said column (see [0131]).

Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-13 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

4.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 14-17 are allowed.

6. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: None of the references cited has failed to teach applicants claimed invention

“channel formatter....second color subpixel layout” (as recited in claim 14). Claims 15-17 are allowed due to the dependencies of claim 14.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to YUK CHOW whose telephone number is (571)270-1544. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-6 M-TH E.T..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Amare Mengistu can be reached on 571 272-7674. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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